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Applicant requests consideration of the references listed on the attached PTO-1449 form. A copy of a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart application is also enclosed.

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Respectfully submitted,

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